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Applicant(s) : Takao TAKAHASHI et al.

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For : RECORDING METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
CONTINUOUS PLAYBACK OF FRAGMENTED SIGNALS

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**AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 29, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: